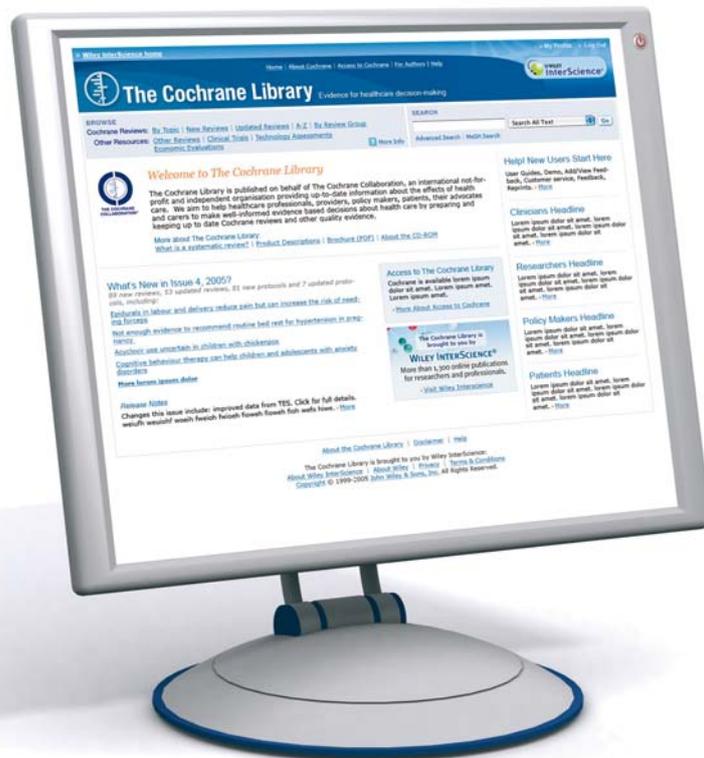




The Cochrane Library on Wiley InterScience

User Guide

Version 2.1



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*“Evidence-Based medicine (EBM) is an approach to health care that promotes the collection, interpretation, and integration of valid, important and applicable patient-reported, clinician-observed, and research-derived evidence. The best available evidence, moderated by patient circumstances and preferences, is applied to improve the quality of clinical judgments.” **

The Cochrane Library brings together in one place research on the effectiveness of healthcare treatments and interventions. It is a recognized and unique source of reliable, independently reviewed and up-to-date information on the effects of interventions in health care. **The Cochrane Library** is recognized as **The Gold Standard** by many publications such as *The Lancet*, *The New England Journal of Medicine*, *The British Medical Journal (BMJ)*, and *The Journal of the American Medical Association (JAMA)*.

The Cochrane Library contains thousands of answers to healthcare questions and is updated and expanded every three months. It is published by John Wiley for **The Cochrane Collaboration**.

It is available online via Wiley InterScience and on CD-ROM

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The Cochrane Collaboration is an international organisation that aims to help people make well-informed decisions about health care by preparing, maintaining and promoting the accessibility of systematic reviews on the effects of healthcare interventions.

* Source: McKibbin, K.A. et al (1995). The medical literature as a resource for evidence based care. Working paper from the Health Information Research Unit, McMaster University, Ontario, Canada.



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1. What is in The Cochrane Library?

The Cochrane Library is a collection of databases that will help you find reliable evidence about the effects of health care. It incorporates not only hundreds of medical conditions but also diverse topics such as injury prevention, alternative remedies, and natural treatments to alleviate ill health.

Cochrane Database of Systematic Reviews (Cochrane Reviews)

Cochrane Systematic Reviews investigate the effects of interventions for prevention, treatment and rehabilitation in a healthcare setting. They are designed to facilitate the choices that doctors, policy makers, patients and others face in health care. Most *Cochrane Reviews* are based on randomized controlled trials but other types of evidence may also be taken into account, if appropriate.

Each review addresses a clearly formulated question, for example; can antibiotics help in alleviating the symptoms of a sore throat? The research is reviewed using stringent guidelines to establish whether or not there is conclusive evidence about a specific treatment.

If there is no review on a specific topic, the other databases in *The Cochrane Library* will provide information on other good quality reviews and randomized trials.

Database of Abstracts of Reviews of Effects (Other Reviews)

Complements The Cochrane Reviews by quality-assessing and summarising reviews which have not been carried out by The Cochrane Collaboration. DARE is unique in that it is the only database to contain abstracts of systematic reviews that have been quality assessed. Each abstract includes a summary of the review, together with a critical commentary about the overall quality.

Cochrane Central Register of Controlled Trials (Clinical Trials)

Includes details of published articles taken from bibliographic databases and other published resources. The records include the title of the article, information on where it was published and, in many cases, the abstract.

Cochrane Database of Methodology Reviews (Methods Reviews)

Includes the full text of systematic reviews of empirical methodological studies prepared by The Cochrane Collaboration.

Cochrane Methodology Register (Methods Studies)

Presents a bibliography of publications that report on methods used when conducting controlled trials. It includes journal articles, books and conference proceedings. Articles are taken from MEDLINE and from hand-searches.

Health Technology Assessment Database (Technology Assessments)

Brings together details of completed and ongoing health technology assessments (studies of the medical, social, ethical and economic implications of healthcare interventions) from around the world. The aim of the database is to improve the quality and cost-effectiveness of health care.

NHS Economic Evaluation Database (Economic Evaluations)

As healthcare resources are finite, information about both costs and effects are essential to making Evidence-Based decisions about competing healthcare interventions. Information about cost-effectiveness can be difficult to identify, appraise and interpret. NHS EED assists decision-makers by systematically identifying economic evaluations from around the world, appraising their quality and highlighting their relative strengths and weaknesses.



2. Before you start: accessing The Cochrane Library

You can access	You are a visitor	You are a Personal Subscriber	You are affiliated with a Subscribed Institution	You are affiliated with a National Provision *
Search	✓	✓	✓	✓
Abstracts	✓	✓	✓	✓
Full text	Access via Pay-Per-View.	✓	✓	✓
Notes:	You will need to use your Wiley InterScience password for your Saved Searches.	Password access.	Access to full text is seamless or password-based according to institution's licence type. You will need to use your Wiley InterScience password for your Saved Searches.	Access to full text is seamless. You will need to use your Wiley InterScience password for your Saved Searches.

- All visitors to **The Cochrane Library** can search the databases and access Abstract material.
- Subscribers and users affiliated with a Subscribed Institution or National Provision can search the databases and access full-text material.
- * For a full list of National Provisions (countries or regions where everyone has access) see: http://www3.interscience.wiley.com/cgi-bin/mrwhome/106568753/AccessCochraneLibrary.html#national_provisions

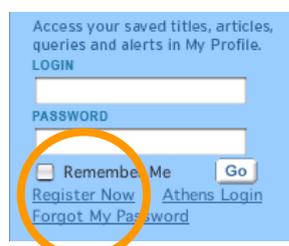
2.1 Your first visit

It will be useful to register with Wiley InterScience. Registration is a simple process that extends a number of benefits and, most importantly, allows you to save searches. You will need to provide basic information: your name, e-mail address, country and area of interest.

1. To register go to: www.thecochranelibrary.com.
2. Click on **Log In** (top right of your screen); this will take you to the Wiley InterScience Home page.



3. Click on the **Register Now** Link (top right hand side of your screen).





Registration Screen

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Welcome to Wiley InterScience Registration
To register, complete the form below, noting that all fields are mandatory. All registered users are required to provide a valid e-mail address. You will receive a **one-time authentication e-mail** to the address you provide. Once you have validated this by clicking the link in the message, your new login will be set. Afterward, when you return to the site, you need only enter your e-mail and password to login.

Enter E-mail Login and Password

E-mail Address:
 Re-type E-mail Address:
 Please Note: a one-time confirmation will be sent to this address. Afterward, your e-mail will serve as your login.

Password:
 Confirm Password:
 Please Note: passwords must be alphanumeric (no special characters) between 5 and 32 characters long.

Personal Profile

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 Last Name:

In order for Wiley InterScience to provide you with relevant national licensing, accurate geographic information is required.

Set E-mail login and Password

You will be taken to the New User Registration page, where you will be asked to enter your e-mail address and select and confirm a password.

Personal Profile

You will also need to provide some basic information about yourself: your name, country, and area of interest. This information is never shared with any third party.

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Fill in the details as instructed and press Submit

Following registration, an **authentication** e-mail will be sent to the e-mail address you provided. You must click the link in the message (**within 24 hours**) to validate your new login.

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User Registration

Thank you for registering with Wiley InterScience
You have successfully completed your registration, however you must still validate your account.

An **authentication** e-mail has been sent to the address you provided. You must click the link in the message to validate your new login. Afterwards, when you return to the site, you need only enter your e-mail and password to login.

Please note that you must click the link in the authentication e-mail within 24 hours or your account will not be activated and you may need to repeat the registration process. If you have any questions or concerns, contact [Wiley InterScience Customer Support](#).

Once you have validated your login, you will be taken to the **My Profile** area which includes your personal navigation bar

2.2 Your personal navigation bar

The **My Profile** area allows you to manage your account information (edit login details and password). You are now logged on Wiley InterScience and your name appears at the top of the screen.



2.3 Next time you visit

LOGIN:
 PASSWORD:
 Remember Me
[Register Now](#) | [Athens Login](#)
[Forgot My Password](#)

HINT: Next time you log in to Wiley InterScience, select the **'Remember Me'** box. This saves your login and password details in a cookie on your computer system. This means next time you visit **The Cochrane Library** from the same computer, you needn't log in. Don't use this option if you are on a shared or public computer.

2.4 Accessing The Cochrane Library

Go to **Search** box, select **Publication Titles**, type **Cochrane** and press **Go**.

Title Search Results

There are 2 results from 2988 Titles for "Cochrane"

View: 1-2

Title	
Evidence-Based Child Health: A Cochrane Review Journal	Journal
The Cochrane Library 2006, Issue 3	Database

Now click on The Cochrane Library link.

SEARCH

To search across all articles, chapters or protocols - select **All Content**. If you are looking for a specific publication (e.g., journal, book, database), select the **Publication Title** option.

All Content
 Publication Titles

Cochrane

[Advanced Search](#)
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[Acronym Finder](#)



3. The Cochrane Library home page

You are now on **The Cochrane Library** home page. Here you will find links to **Browse** and **Search** functionalities, links to more information about The Cochrane Collaboration and product descriptions.

The screenshot shows the Cochrane Library home page with several key sections highlighted by numbered callouts:

- 3.1 BROWSE:** Located at the top left, it contains links for 'Cochrane Reviews: By Topic | New Reviews | Updated Reviews | A-Z | By Review Group' and 'Other Resources: Other Reviews | Clinical Trials | Methods Studies | Technology Assessments | Economic Evaluations'.
- 3.2 SEARCH:** Located at the top right, it features a search box with the placeholder text 'Title, Abstract or Keywords', a 'Go' button, and links for 'Advanced Search | MeSH Search | Search History | Saved Searches'.
- 3.3 More About The Cochrane Library:** A central section with the heading 'Welcome to The Cochrane Library' and a paragraph describing the library's mission. It includes links for 'What are Systematic Reviews & Protocols? | Product Descriptions | About the CD-ROM'.
- 3.4 What's New in Issue 3, 2006?:** A section listing recent updates, including '111 new reviews, 58 updated reviews, 94 new protocols and 2 updated protocols, including: Telephone counselling for smoking cessation', 'School-based secondary prevention programmes for preventing violence', 'Exercise for type 2 diabetes mellitus', 'EMLA and Amethocaine for reduction of children's pain association with needle insertion', and 'Acupuncture for neck disorders'. It also includes 'Release Notes' with dates from April to August 2006.
- 3.5 Help! New Users Start Here:** A section providing resources for new users, including 'For Clinicians', 'For Researchers', 'For Patients', and 'For Policy Makers', each with a brief description and a 'More' link.

3.1 Browse:

You can browse the different databases that make up The Library by selecting these links.

3.2 Search The Cochrane Library:

All your search links can be found in this box. You can perform a **Quick Search**, using the **Search box** provided, or you can link to a **MeSH** (Medical Subject Headings) **indexing Search**, an **Advanced Search**, or go to your **Search History**, **Saved Searches** and **Search Tips**.

3.3 More information about The Cochrane Collaboration:

Use this section to find out about The Cochrane Collaboration and **The Cochrane Library**.

3.4 The latest headlines:

This offers quick links to a selection of the latest Reviews, Protocols and updates as well as any news, such as search enhancements.

3.5 Information for users:

This section provides useful information for different user groups.

This close-up screenshot shows the navigation menu at the top of the page. The 'Home' link is circled in orange, and an orange arrow points from a 'HINT' box to it.

HINT: You can always return to the home page of The Cochrane Library by clicking the **Home** tab.



4. Browse The Cochrane Library

BROWSE

Cochrane Reviews: [By Topic](#) | [New Reviews](#) | [Updated Reviews](#) | [A-Z](#) | [By Review Group](#)

Other Resources: [Other Reviews](#) | [Clinical Trials](#) | [Methods Studies](#) | [Technology Assessments](#) | [Economic Evaluations](#)

[? More Info](#)

Use the **Browse** function to view *Cochrane Reviews* by Topic, New Reviews, Updated Reviews, in alphabetical order or by Review Group.

4.1 Browse The Cochrane Database of Systematic Reviews (Cochrane Reviews):

What is a systematic review?

A systematic review identifies an intervention for a specific disease or other problem in health care, and determines whether this intervention works. To do this, authors locate, appraise and synthesize evidence from as many relevant scientific studies as possible. They summarize conclusions about effectiveness, and provide a unique collation of the known evidence on a given topic, so that others can easily review the primary studies for any intervention.

4.1.1 Browse by topic

You can browse through the topic lists of the different Cochrane Review Groups. To do this, select **By Topic**.

BROWSE

Cochrane Reviews: [By Topic](#) | [New Reviews](#) | [Updated Reviews](#) | [A-Z](#) | [By Review Group](#)

Other Resources: [Other Reviews](#) | [Clinical Trials](#) | [Methods Studies](#) | [Technology Assessments](#) | [Economic Evaluations](#)

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BROWSE
Cochrane Reviews: [By Topic](#) | [New Reviews](#) | [Updated Reviews](#) | [A-Z](#) | [By Review Group](#)
Other Resources: [Other Reviews](#) | [Clinical Trials](#) | [Methods Studies](#) | [Technology Assessments](#) | [Economic Evaluations](#)

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Title, Abstract or Keywords [Go]
[Advanced Search](#) | [MeSH Search](#) | [Search History](#) | [Saved Searches](#)

BROWSE TOPICS BY COCHRANE COLLABORATIVE REVIEW GROUP

- ✓ Select from below
- Acute Respiratory Infections
- Airways
- Anaesthesia
- Back
- Bone, Joint and Muscle Trauma
- Breast Cancer
- Colorectal Cancer
- Consumers & Communication
- Cystic Fibrosis & Genetic Disorders
- Dementia & Cognitive Improvement

Select the topic you are interested in from the drop-down list.

BROWSE
Cochrane Reviews: [By Topic](#) | [New Reviews](#) | [Updated Reviews](#) | [A-Z](#) | [By Review Group](#)
Other Resources: [Other Reviews](#) | [Clinical Trials](#) | [Methods Studies](#) | [Technology Assessments](#) | [Economic Evaluations](#)

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Title, Abstract or Keywords [Go]
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BROWSE TOPICS BY COCHRANE COLLABORATIVE REVIEW GROUP

- Acute Respiratory Infections
- ▷ Bronchiolitis (10)
- ▷ Bronchitis (4)
- ▷ Common cold (Coryza) (16)
- ▷ Croup (3)
- ▷ Diphtheria
- ▷ Epiglottitis
- ▷ Influenza (16)
- ▷ Laryngitis (1)
- ▷ Measles (3)
- ▷ Meningitis (9)
- ▷ Otitis media (Middle ear infections) (11)
- ▷ Pertussis (Whooping cough) (3)

You will see a list of subject fields relating to that given topic area, in which reviews are available. The number in brackets beside the subject field denotes the number of reviews published in *The Cochrane Library* in that subject field.



BROWSE
 Cochrane Reviews: [By Topic](#) | [New Reviews](#) | [Updated Reviews](#) | [A-Z](#) | [By Review Group](#)
 Other Resources: [Other Reviews](#) | [Clinical Trials](#) | [Methods Studies](#) | [Technology Assessments](#) | [Economic Evaluations](#)

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BROWSE TOPICS BY COCHRANE COLLABORATIVE REVIEW GROUP

- Ear Nose & Throat Disorders
- ▷ Non-malignant disease (58)
 - ▷ Ear (31)
 - ▷ Larynx (5)
 - ▷ Nose and sinuses (13)
 - ▷ Nose (12)
 - Choanal atresia
 - ▷ Nosebleed (epistaxis) (3)
 - [Tranexamic acid for epistaxis \(nosebleeds\)](#)
 - [Arterial ligation versus embolisation for intractable posterior epistaxis](#)
 - [Interventions for recurrent idiopathic epistaxis \(nosebleeds\) in children](#)
 - ▷ Nasal polyps (1)
 - Nasal turbinate hypertrophy

Select the subject area you are interested in and you will be provided with a list of links to all the reviews in *The Cochrane Library* that match that subject area.

4.1.2 Browse The Cochrane Reviews by other criteria

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BROWSE
 Cochrane Reviews: [By Topic](#) | [New Reviews](#) | [Updated Reviews](#) | [A-Z](#) | [By Review Group](#)
 Other Resources: [Other Reviews](#) | [Clinical Trials](#) | [Methods Studies](#) | [Technology Assessments](#) | [Economic Evaluations](#)

SEARCH
 Enter search term Title, Abstract or Keywords
[Advanced Search](#) | [MeSH Search](#) | [Search History](#) | [Saved Searches](#)

New Systematic Reviews = Protocol = Review

- [Acupuncture for dysphagia in acute stroke](#) HTML PDF (Size 130 KB) **New** **P**
- [Acupuncture for neck disorders](#) HTML PDF (Size 246 KB) **New** **R**
- [Acupuncture for stroke rehabilitation](#) HTML PDF (Size 213 KB) **New** **R**
- [Ad libitum or demand/semi-demand feeding versus scheduled interval feeding for preterm infants](#) HTML PDF (Size 208 KB) **New** **R**
- [Addition of drugs to a chemotherapy regimen for metastatic breast cancer](#) HTML PDF (Size 408 KB) **New** **R**
- [Adhesives for fixed orthodontic bands](#) HTML PDF (Size 182 KB) **New** **R**
- [Adjunctive corticosteroids for Pneumocystis jirovecii pneumonia in patients with HIV-infection](#) HTML PDF (Size 184 KB) **New** **R**
- [Alcoholics Anonymous and other 12-step programmes for alcohol dependence](#) HTML PDF (Size 221 KB) **New** **R**
- [Allopurinol for chronic gout](#) HTML PDF (Size 110 KB) **New** **P**
- [Angioplasty for intracranial artery stenosis](#) HTML PDF (Size 168 KB) **New** **R**
- [Antenatal breast examination for promoting breastfeeding](#) HTML PDF (Size 106 KB) **New** **P**

Displaying all new Cochrane Reviews only

Use the links provided to browse The Cochrane Systematic Reviews by other criteria:

- **New Reviews** (if you only want to view new Cochrane Reviews)
- **Updated Reviews** (if you want to check the updates on exiting reviews)
- **A-Z** (to display a list of all reviews in alphabetical order)
- **By Review Group** (to see all the reviews written by a specific Cochrane Review Group for example The Eyes and Vision Review Group)

4.1.3 Understanding the review status

BROWSE
 Cochrane Reviews: [By Topic](#) | [New Reviews](#) | [Updated Reviews](#) | [A-Z](#) | [By Review Group](#)
 Other Resources: [Other Reviews](#) | [Clinical Trials](#) | [Methods Studies](#) | [Technology Assessments](#) | [Economic Evaluations](#)

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BROWSE THE COCHRANE DATABASE OF SYSTEMATIC REVIEWS

P = Protocol **R** = Review **P** = Protocol **R** = Review **P** = Protocol **R** = Review

Protocols and Reviews

A B C D E F G H I J K L M N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z 0-9

- [Abdominal decompression for suspected fetal compromise/pre-eclampsia](#) HTML PDF (Size 134 KB) **R**
- [Abdominal decompression in normal pregnancy](#) HTML PDF (Size 133 KB) **R**
- [Abdominal surgical incisions for caesarean section](#) HTML PDF (Size 114 KB) **P**
- [Absorbable staples for uterine incision at caesarean section](#) HTML PDF (Size 55 KB) **Withdrawn** **R**
- [Absorbable synthetic versus catgut suture material for perineal repair](#) HTML PDF (Size 185 KB) **R**
- [Absorbent products for containing urinary and/or faecal incontinence in adults](#) HTML PDF (Size 297 KB) **R**
- [Abstinence-based programs for HIV infection prevention in high-income countries](#) HTML PDF (Size 130 KB) **P**
- [Acamprosate for alcohol dependence](#) HTML PDF (Size 100 KB) **P**
- [Acellular vaccines for preventing whooping cough in children](#) HTML PDF (Size 55 KB) **Withdrawn** **R**
- [Acetaminophen for osteoarthritis](#) HTML PDF (Size 360 KB) **R**
- [Acetyl-L-carnitine for dementia](#) HTML PDF (Size 277 KB) **R**
- [Acetylcysteine and carbocysteine for acute respiratory tract infections in paediatric patients without chronic obstructive pulmonary disease](#) HTML PDF (Size 130 KB) **R**
- [Acetylsalicylic acid \(Aspirin\) for primary prevention of cardiovascular disease in type 2 diabetes mellitus](#) HTML PDF (Size 130 KB) **R**

All reviews have a key to quickly identify their status; full Review, Protocol, New, Updated or Withdrawn. It also shows if a comment has been added by a reader (see section 10 Other Functions – Add Feedback).

A key for the status of the reviews is:

- R** = A full **Review**, complete with results and discussion, meta-analysis and an odds-ratio diagram for the review.
- P** = A **Protocol**. The outline of reviews in preparation, including the background, rationale and methods.
- Comment** = A full Review that also contains commentary/criticism. Readers can submit comments, which are incorporated into the review together with answers and feedback from the review authors.
- New** = A new Protocol or review that has been published in the most recent quarter.
- Update** = A Review that has been updated in the most recent quarter.
- Withdrawn** = A Review or Protocol that has been withdrawn - usually due to lack of activity or update. Reasons for withdrawal are specified in the article.



4.2 Browse the other resources in The Cochrane Library

You can also browse the other databases by clicking on the links provided.

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 Cochrane Reviews: [By Topic](#) | [New Reviews](#) | [Updated Reviews](#) | [A-Z](#) | [By Review Group](#)
 Other Resources: [Other Reviews](#) | [Clinical Trials](#) | [Methods Studies](#) | [Technology Assessments](#) | [Economic Evaluations](#) ? More Info

4.2.1 Database of Abstracts of Reviews of Effects (Other Reviews)

BROWSE THE DATABASE OF ABSTRACTS OF REVIEWS OF EFFECTS
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- [Abciximab: a new antiaggregant used in angioplasty \(Structured abstract\)](#)
- [Abciximab as adjunctive therapy to reperfusion in acute ST-segment elevation myocardial infarction: a meta-analysis of randomized trials \(Structured abstract\)](#)
- [Abdominal massage therapy for chronic constipation: a systematic review of controlled clinical trials \(Structured abstract\)](#)
- [Abdominal myomectomy for infertility: a comprehensive review \(Structured abstract\)](#)
- [Abdominal symptoms: do they disappear after cholecystectomy? \(Provisional record\)](#)

This is the only database to contain abstracts of systematic reviews that have been quality assessed. Each abstract includes a summary of the review and a critical commentary about the overall quality. The database is a key resource for busy decision makers and can help answer questions about the effects of specific interventions.

4.2.2 Cochrane Central Register of Controlled Trials (Clinical Trials)

BROWSE
 Cochrane Reviews: [By Topic](#) | [New Reviews](#) | [Updated Reviews](#) | [A-Z](#) | [By Review Group](#)
 Other Resources: [Other Reviews](#) | [Clinical Trials](#) | [Methods Studies](#) | [Technology Assessments](#) | [Economic Evaluations](#) ? More Info

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 Enter a term below and click Search to continue.

Search For: In:
 To search using field labels (e.g. heart:ti) use the [Search History](#) page.
 Search All Text ?

SEARCH TIPS
Tip No. 1:
 Boolean operators AND, OR, and NOT can be selected from the pulldown selection boxes or entered directly within the search text boxes. Use parentheses to separate components when entering

It presents details of published articles taken from bibliographic databases (notably MEDLINE and EMBASE) and other published and unpublished sources and includes the title, information on where the article was published (bibliographic details) and, in many cases, a summary of the article. No browse list is included for **Clinical Trials** due to the huge size of the index. The **Clinical Trials** browse link accesses The Cochrane Library's Advanced Search, which allows you to limit the database selection to **Clinical Trials** and search for specific terms.

4.2.3 Cochrane Database of Methodology Reviews (Methods Reviews)

This contains two types of documents: Cochrane Methods Reviews and Protocols. Methods Reviews are full-text systematic reviews of methodological studies. The reviews are both highly structured and systematic. Each review covers a specific and well-defined area of methodology.

Search Results
 Show Results in:
 Cochrane Reviews [2554] | Other Reviews [1] | [Clinical Trials \[25\]](#) | [Methods Reviews \[8\]](#) | [Methods Studies \[679\]](#) | [Technology Assessments \[1\]](#) | [Economic Evaluations \[2\]](#) | [Cochrane Group \[40\]](#)

There are 2554 results out of 4410 records for: "Cochrane in Title, Abstract or Keywords in The Cochrane Database of Systematic Reviews"

View: 1-25 | 26-50 | 51-75 | 76-100 | 101-125 | Next >

[Export All Results](#)

Record Information Restrict

- Increased energy intake for preterm infants with (or developing) bronchopulmonary dysplasia/ chronic lung disease**
 NM Lai, SV Rajadurai, KHH Tan
 Year: 2006
[Record](#) [New](#) [R](#)
- Aerosolized diuretics for preterm infants with (or developing) chronic lung disease**
 LP Brion, RA Primhak, W Yong
 Year: 2006

Methods Reviews are included in the browse lists for **Cochrane Reviews**, although they retain their own 'tab' in the search.



4.2.4 Cochrane Methodology Register (Methods Studies)

The Cochrane Methodology Register is a bibliography of publications which report on methods used in the conduct of controlled trials. It includes journal articles, books and conference proceedings from the MEDLINE database and from hand searches.

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 Cochrane Reviews: [By Topic](#) | [New Reviews](#) | [Updated Reviews](#) | [A-Z](#) | [By Review Group](#)
 Other Resources: [Other Reviews](#) | [Clinical Trials](#) | [Methods Studies](#) | [Technology Assessments](#) | [Economic Evaluations](#)

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[Absence of associations between funding source, trial outcome, and quality score: a benefit of financial disclosure?](#)
[Absolutely relative: how research results are summarized can affect treatment decisions](#)

4.2.5 Health Technology Assessment Database (Technology Assessments)

This database brings together details of completed and ongoing health technology assessments (studies of the medical, social, ethical and economic implications of healthcare interventions) from around the world. The aim of the database is to improve the quality and cost-effectiveness of health care.

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[Abatacept as add-on therapy for rheumatoid arthritis \(Structured abstract\)](#)
[Abatacept \(CTLA4lg\) for rheumatoid arthritis unresponsive to current therapies - horizon scanning review \(Structured abstract\)](#)
[Abciximab \(Reopro\) for acute ischaemic stroke - horizon scanning review \(Structured abstract\)](#)
[Abciximab \(ReoPro\) in coronary artery disease - early assessment briefs \(ALERT\) \(Brief record\)](#)
[Abdominal aortic aneurysm: endovascular grafts offer a potential alternative to surgery \(Structured abstract\)](#)
[Abiatherm - treatment for prostate cancer \(Brief record\)](#)
[AC2993 for type 2 diabetes - horizon scanning review \(Brief record\)](#)

4.2.6 NHS Economic Evaluation Database (Economic Evaluations)

As healthcare resources are finite, information about both costs and effects are essential to making Evidence-Based decisions about competing healthcare interventions. The database contains over 5000 abstracts of quality-assessed economic evaluations.

BROWSE
 Cochrane Reviews: [By Topic](#) | [New Reviews](#) | [Updated Reviews](#) | [A-Z](#) | [By Review Group](#)
 Other Resources: [Other Reviews](#) | [Clinical Trials](#) | [Methods Studies](#) | [Technology Assessments](#) | [Economic Evaluations](#)

SEARCH
 Title, Abstract or Keywords
[Advanced Search](#) | [MeSH Search](#) | [Search History](#) | [Saved Searches](#)

[More Info](#)

BROWSE THE NHS ECONOMIC EVALUATION DATABASE
[Critically Appraised Economic Evaluations](#) | [Other Economic Studies: Bibliographic Details](#) | [All Studies](#)
[A](#) [B](#) [C](#) [D](#) [E](#) [F](#) [G](#) [H](#) [I](#) [J](#) [K](#) [L](#) [M](#) [N](#) [O](#) [P](#) [Q](#) [R](#) [S](#) [T](#) [U](#) [V](#) [W](#) [X](#) [Y](#) [Z](#) [0-9](#)

[AAOHN advisory: cost benefit and cost effectiveness analyses \(Brief record\)](#)
[An ABCD program to increase access to dental care for children enrolled in Medicaid in a rural county \(Structured abstract\)](#)
[Abciximab: a pharmacoeconomic review of its use in percutaneous coronary revascularisation \(Brief record\)](#)
[Abciximab: cost-effective survival advantage in clinical trials and clinical practice \(Brief record\)](#)
[Abciximab provides cost-effective survival advantage in high-volume interventional practice \(Structured abstract\)](#)
[Abciximab therapy in percutaneous intervention: economic issues in the United States \(Brief record\)](#)
[Abdominal adhesiolysis: inpatient care and expenditures in the United States in 1994 \(Provisional record\)](#)
[Abdominal aortic aneurysm: postoperative 10-year follow-up with cost analysis \(Provisional record\)](#)
[Abdominal aortic aneurysm screening: an epidemiological point of view \(Brief record\)](#)



5. Search The Cochrane Library

SEARCH

Title, Abstract or Keywords

[Advanced Search](#) | [MeSH Search](#) | [Search History](#) | [Saved Searches](#)

The Cochrane Library allows for a number of different search types, designed to allow you to be as broad, or as narrow as your information requirements dictate.

5.1 Quick Search

To perform a quick search, simply enter your search term in the **Search** box. By default the search is by Title, Abstract or Keywords, but you can select other options by clicking on the pull-down menu.

- Search All Text
- Record Title
- Author
- Abstract
- Keywords
- ✓ Title, Abstract or Keywords
- Tables
- Publication Type
- Source

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BROWSE
Cochrane Reviews: [By Topic](#) | [New Reviews](#) | [Updated Reviews](#) | [A-Z](#) | [By Review Group](#)
Other Resources: [Other Reviews](#) | [Clinical Trials](#) | [Methods Studies](#) | [Technology Assessments](#) | [Economic Evaluations](#)

SEARCH
sore throat | Title, Abstract or Keywords | Go
[Advanced Search](#) | [MeSH Search](#) | [Search History](#) | [Saved Searches](#)

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Other Resources: [Other Reviews](#) | [Clinical Trials](#) | [Methods Studies](#) | [Technology Assessments](#) | [Economic Evaluations](#)

SEARCH
Enter search term | Title, Abstract or Keywords | Go
[Advanced Search](#) | [MeSH Search](#) | [Search History](#) | [Saved Searches](#)

Search Results

Show Results in:
Cochrane Reviews [14] | [Other Reviews \[2\]](#) | [Clinical Trials \[390\]](#) | [Methods Reviews \[0\]](#) | [Methods Studies \[3\]](#) | [Technology Assessments \[0\]](#)
[Economic Evaluations \[1\]](#) | [Cochrane Groups \[0\]](#)

There are 14 results out of 4410 records for: "sore throat in Title, Abstract or Keywords in The Cochrane Database of Systematic Reviews" [Save Search](#)
[Edit Search](#)

View: 1-14

[Export All Results](#)

Record Information Restrict to: [Reviews](#) | [Protocols](#) Sort by: [Record Title](#) | [Match %](#) | [Year](#)

<input type="checkbox"/>	Antibiotics for sore throat CB Del Mar, PP Glasziou, AB Spinks Year: 2004 Record Comment
<input type="checkbox"/>	Steroids for symptom control in infectious mononucleosis B Candy, M Hotopf Year: 2006 Record New
<input type="checkbox"/>	Antistreptococcal interventions for guttate and chronic plaque psoriasis CM Owen, RJG Chalmers, T O'Sullivan, CEM Griffiths Year: 2000 Record
<input type="checkbox"/>	Chinese medicinal herbs for sore throat N Yuehua, J Chen, T Wu, W Jiafu, G Liu Year: 2004 Record
<input type="checkbox"/>	Delayed antibiotics for symptoms and complications of respiratory infections CR Coulthart, CR Smith, M J Baxby, B Fowler

Search Results



5.2 Advanced Search

The advanced search allows you to refine your search in a number of ways.



[Advanced Search](#) | [MeSH Search](#) | [Search History](#) | [Saved Searches](#)

Enter a term below and click Search to continue.

Search For: _____ In: _____

To search using field labels (e.g. heart:ti) use the [Search History](#) page.

Search All Text
Record Title
Author
Abstract
Keywords

AND +
AND +
AND +
AND +

Search Go directly to Search History

1) You can use the pull-down menus to limit your search by fields (Full text, Title, Author, Abstract, Keywords, Tables, Publication Type, Source and DOI). Each search box supports common search commands, including wild cards (asterisks), Boolean operators (AND, OR, NOT), nesting using parenthetical brackets, and phrase searching using quotation marks.

Restrict Search by Product

All of The Cochrane Library

The Cochrane Database of Systematic Reviews (Cochrane Reviews)

Database of Abstracts of Reviews of Effects (Other Reviews)

The Cochrane Central Register of Controlled Trials (Clinical Trials)

The Cochrane Database of Methodology Reviews (Methods Reviews)

The Cochrane Methodology Register (Methods Studies)

Health Technology Assessment Database (Technology Assessments)

NHS Economic Evaluation Database (Economic Evaluations)

About The Cochrane Collaboration (Cochrane Groups)

2) You can refine your search by selecting the databases you would like to search. Select one or more titles by clicking the boxes.

Restrict Search by Record Status

All records

Articles that are:

New Updated Commented Commented and Updated Withdrawn

3) You can specify search terms in the boxes provided, which may be combined by selecting “AND”, “OR” and “NOT” from accompanying pull-down menus on the left.

4) You can also refine your search by the type of records you would like to search. The default is **All Records**.

NB: More search tips are included in the Appendix Section.



Search example:

You want to search for information on atypical drugs that have antipsychotic properties used in the treatment of schizophrenia. One means of searching for this information is to enter the following:

[Advanced Search](#) | [MeSH Search](#) | [Search History](#) | [Saved Searches](#)

Enter a term below and click Search to continue.

Search For: **In:**
To search using field labels (e.g. heart:ti) use the [Search History](#) page.

<input type="text" value="schizo*"/>	<input type="text" value="Search All Text"/>
<input type="button" value="AND"/> <input type="text" value="drugs"/>	<input type="text" value="Search All Text"/>
<input type="button" value="AND"/> <input type="text" value="atypical"/>	
<input type="button" value="AND"/> <input type="text" value="antipsychotic"/>	
<input type="button" value="AND"/> <input type="text" value=""/>	

Go directly to Search History

Your search terms are connected by 'AND'

You have selected to search across all text in **The Cochrane Library** for the terms: schizo*, drugs, atypical and antipsychotic. You have also truncated schizo* to search both schizophrenia and schizophrenic.

Restrict Search by Product

- All of The Cochrane Library
- The Cochrane Database of Systematic Reviews (Cochrane Reviews)
- Database of Abstracts of Reviews of Effects (Other Reviews)
- The Cochrane Central Register of Controlled Trials (Clinical Trials)
- The Cochrane Database of Methodology Reviews (Methods Reviews)
- The Cochrane Methodology Register (Methods Studies)
- Health Technology Assessment Database (Technology Assessments)
- NHS Economic Evaluation Database (Economic Evaluations)
- About The Cochrane Collaboration (Cochrane Groups)

You have selected to search across all databases in the library.

Restrict Search by Record Status

- All records
- Articles that are:
- New
 - Updated
 - Commented
 - Commented and Updated
 - Withdrawn

You have selected to search across all records.



5.3 Understanding Search Results

You can toggle between results listed for the different databases in *The Cochrane Library* here. The number in brackets indicates the number of records that match your search in that database. You can see here that there are 76 records in Systematic Reviews, 20 records in Other Reviews and so on. Click on the link to see the results for that database

Search Results

Show Results in:
[Cochrane Reviews \[76\]](#) | [Other Reviews \[20\]](#) | [Clinical Trials \[326\]](#) | [Methods Reviews \[0\]](#) | [Methods Studies \[2\]](#) | [Technology Assessments \[5\]](#) | [Economic Evaluations \[44\]](#) | [Cochrane Groups \[0\]](#)

There are 76 results out of 4410 records for: "schizo" and drugs and atypical and antipsychotic in The Cochrane Database of Systematic Reviews

View: **1-25** | [26-50](#) | [51-75](#) | [76](#)

[Export All Results](#)

[Save Search](#)
[Edit Search](#)

Restrict to: [Reviews](#) | [Protocols](#)

Sort by: [Record Title](#) | [Match %](#) | [Year](#)

Record Information
<input type="checkbox"/> Newer atypical antipsychotic medication versus clozapine for schizophrenia A Tuunainen, K Wahlbeck, SM Gilbody Year: 2000 Record Comment R
<input type="checkbox"/> Olanzapine for schizophrenia L Duggan, M Fenton, J Rathbone, R Dardennes, Year: 2005 Record R
<input type="checkbox"/> Amisulpride for schizophrenia JIS Mota Neto, MS Lima, BGO Soares Year: 2002 Record R

There are 25 results per page; go to more results using these links

Restrict your search results by Review or Protocol here.

Use these links to sort your search results by Title, Match%, or Year.

Use these links to Save or Edit your search (see below).

Save your search

If you want to save your search, you can do so by selecting the **Save Search** button.



The "Saved Searches" page allows you to manage and view searches you have previously saved.

[Advanced Search](#) | [MeSH Search](#) | [Search History](#) | [Saved Searches](#)

Your search was successfully saved

You have **1** Saved Search

Delete	Saved Search Name	Run	Export	Save Date	Alert Status
<input type="checkbox"/>	schizo* and drugs and atypical and antipsychotic in all products	Run	Export	2006-08-24 07:20:36	Activate Alert

You can also activate alerts. Click **Activate Alert** to be alerted by e-mail on any new or updated record relevant to your search.



5.4 MeSH Search (Medical Search Heading)

MeSH is the National Library of Medicine’s controlled vocabulary thesaurus. It consists of sets of terms naming descriptors in a hierarchical structure that permits searching at various levels of specificity. Keywords drawn from the MeSH Thesaurus have been attached to many records in **The Cochrane Library**. The MeSH Thesaurus is organized hierarchically in ‘trees’, with the lower levels of the trees containing more specific terms. The MeSH search allows searching of the databases in **The Cochrane Library** using the MeSH terms and tree structures (see Appendix for more MeSH search terms).

To activate a MeSH search, click on the **MeSH search** link in your search box.

The screenshot shows the MeSH search interface with several callouts:

- Shows the hierarchy and allows to view a tree structure of related terms.** (Callout pointing to the 'Go To MeSH Trees' button)
- Helps you select appropriate MeSH headings.** (Callout pointing to the 'Thesaurus' and 'Definition' buttons)
- Provides a clear definition of the MeSH term.** (Callout pointing to the 'MeSH Term Definition' window)

The interface includes navigation links: [Advanced Search](#) | [MeSH Search](#) | [Search History](#) | [Saved Searches](#) | [Search by qualifier alone](#). The search area is titled "Search for a MeSH descriptor" and contains an input field "Enter MeSH term:" with a "Go To MeSH Trees" button. Below the input field are "Thesaurus" and "Definition" buttons.

The "MeSH Term Definition" window shows the following information for "Kidney":
Kidney
 Body organ that filters blood for the secretion of URINE and that regulates ion concentrations.
 [Close]

Step 1: Using the MeSH Thesaurus

The Permuted Index is an index of all the words that appear in the MeSH thesaurus. It is used to locate specific MeSH headings.

Search for a MeSH descriptor

Enter MeSH term: [Go To MeSH Trees](#)

[Thesaurus](#) [Definition](#)

Select the appropriate MeSH descriptor:

- Acute Kidney Failure
see: [Kidney Failure, Acute](#)
- Acute Kidney Insufficiency
see: [Renal Insufficiency, Acute](#)
- Acute Kidney Tubular Necrosis
see: [Kidney Tubular Necrosis, Acute](#)
- Adult Polycystic Kidney Disease
see: [Polycystic Kidney, Autosomal Dominant](#)
- Adult Polycystic Kidney Disease Type 1
see: [Polycystic Kidney, Autosomal Dominant](#)
- Adult Polycystic Kidney Disease Type 2
see: [Polycystic Kidney, Autosomal Dominant](#)

Search the **Permuted Index** by entering one word and clicking on **Thesaurus**. For instance, the term 'Kidney' returns a list of descriptors and cross-references.



Step 2: Finding your way around the MeSH Tree

Search for a MeSH descriptor

Enter MeSH term:

Search The Cochrane Library content

Go directly to Search History

Add qualifier restriction:

Explode

All

Tree Number 1

Search this term only

Tree Number 1
[Urogenital System \[+2\]](#)
[Urinary Tract \[+4\]](#)
[Bladder](#)
Kidney [+4]
[Kidney Cortex \[+1\]](#)
[Kidney Medulla](#)
[Kidney Pelvis \[+1\]](#)
[Nephrons \[+2\]](#)
[Ureter](#)
[Urethra](#)

1. First select your search term

The MeSH tree(s) containing the selected MeSH heading are displayed once a heading has been selected from the Permuted Index. The MeSH trees allow expanding or narrowing the scope of the search, by selection of broader or narrower terms.

To move up to a more general level in a MeSH tree, click on a term that sits higher in the tree. More specific terms are displayed immediately underneath, and just to the right of your selected term (in red).

“Urogenital System” is the broadest term in this tree. If you wanted to move up a level in the MeSH tree and expand the range of your search significantly, you could select this term.

2. Then select your search option

Once you have selected the term you want to search under, you can choose one of two options.

Search this term only will search just for the selected term (the one in red)

The Explode option will automatically include all narrower terms term highlighted in your search as well. This will maximize the records retrieved. For some terms you will have more than one tree. You can select whether you want to explode your search to include all trees, or only those selected by checking the box next to them.

Search for a MeSH descriptor

Enter MeSH term:

Search The Cochrane Library content

Go directly to Search History

Add qualifier restriction:

Explode

All

Tree Number 1

Search this term only

Qualifiers:
 abnormalities
 administration & dosage
 adverse effects
 agonists
 analogs & derivatives
 analysis
 anatomy & histology
 antagonists & inhibitors
 biosynthesis
 blood
 blood supply

3. Choose search restrictions (if any)

Once you have selected your search option, decide whether you want to restrict your search by additional qualifiers (selected from the drop-down box or typed into the search box to the right of the drop-down box).

4. Search

Hit **View Results** to conduct your search.

5. Results

Results are then presented. (See p.15 for more details on search results screen).



6. Search History

Search History provides a history of your searches in your **current** session of **The Cochrane Library**.

Current Search History

ID	Search	Hits	Edit	Delete
#1	(kidney):ti,ab,kw	12228	edit	delete
#2	(liver):ti,ab,kw	18973	edit	delete

If you want to save your searches for future use in other sessions, you can either use the **Save Search** function described on page 15, or you can use the **Save Search Strategy** function (see p. 21).

Tip No. 1: characters (*), and nested searches with parentheses can also be used on the Search History page.

Tip No. 2: On search history page, type field labels to restrict by field - abstract (:ab), author (:au), keywords (:kw), source (:so), title (:ti), publication type (:pt), tables (tb), or DOI (:doi). If no field label is used, "all

Additional features of **The Cochrane Library** through Wiley InterScience include:

- Links to MEDLINE Abstracts and ISI Web of Science®
- Easy navigation from a reference in a review to the cited journal article
- Wiley InterScience alerting services based on keywords, authors and other parameters, enabling you to stay well-informed of updates in your field
- Links from many CENTRAL records to the corresponding record in **PubMed**

9.1 Search history - combining your search results

The search history function allows users to combine searches to broaden or further refine their search results. For instance if you were seeking information on childhood obesity, you could run the following search on the Advanced Search function:

Advanced Search | [MeSH Search](#) | [Search History](#) | [Saved Searches](#)

Enter a term below and click Search to continue.

Search For:
To search using field labels (e.g. heart:ti) use the [Search History](#) page.

obesity OR obese

Search All Text

Record Title

Author

Abstract

Keywords

Search Results

Show Results in: [Cochrane Reviews](#) [256] | [Other Reviews](#) [113] | [Clinical Trials](#) [4984] | [Methods](#) [84] | [Economic Evaluations](#) [208] | [Cochrane Central](#) [10]

There are 256 results out of 4410 records for "obesity OR obese" in The Cochrane Database of Systematic Reviews™

Export All Results

Record Information

Drugs for preventing postoperative nausea and vomiting
JB Carlisle, CA Stevenson
Year: 2008
[Record](#) [Edit](#)

Improving health professionals' management of acute pain
EL Harvey, A-M Glerrey, SFL Kirk, CD Sumner
Year: 2001
[Record](#) [Edit](#)

Interventions for preventing obesity in children
CD Summerbell, E Walters, LD Edmunds
Year: 2005
[Record](#) [Edit](#)

Restrict to: [Reviews](#) | [Protocols](#) Sort by: [Record Title](#) | [Match](#) | [Year](#)

Hint: Click on **Edit Search** to refine your strategy



[Advanced Search](#) | [MeSH Search](#) | [Search History](#) | [Saved Searches](#)
[Search by qualifier alone](#)

Search for a MeSH descriptor

Enter MeSH term:

Next, search for the MeSH term Obesity or the word Obesity as a normal text word. This ensures that you find relevant records that aren't attached to the MeSH term.

Search The Cochrane Library content

Go directly to Search History

Add qualifier restriction:

Explode

All

Tree Number 1

Tree Number 2

Tree Number 3

Tree Number 4

Tree Number 5

Search this term only

- Tree Number 1
 - [Nutritional and Metabolic Diseases \[+2\]](#)
 - [Nutrition Disorders \[+5\]](#)
 - [Overnutrition \[+1\]](#)
 - Obesity [+3]**
 - [Obesity Hypoventilation Syndrome](#)
 - [Obesity, Morbid](#)
 - [Prader-Willi Syndrome](#)
- Tree Number 2
 - [Pathological Conditions, Signs and Symptoms \[+3\]](#)
 - [Signs and Symptoms \[+25\]](#)
 - [Body Weight \[+5\]](#)
 - [Overweight \[+1\]](#)
 - Obesity [+1]**
 - [Obesity, Morbid](#)

Search - exploding all trees.

Search Results

Show Results in:
Cochrane Reviews [12] | [Other Reviews \[64\]](#) | [Clinical Trials \[3008\]](#) | [Technology Assessments \[69\]](#) | [Economic Evaluations \[143\]](#)

There are 12 results out of 4410 records for: "MeSH descriptor **Obesity** explode all trees in The Cochrane Database of Systematic Reviews"

View: 1-12

Restrict to: [Reviews](#) | [Protocols](#) Sort by: [Record Title](#) | [Match %](#) | [Year](#)

Record Information
<input type="checkbox"/> Advice on low-fat diets for obesity S Pirozzo, C Summerbell, C Cameron, P Glasziou Year: 2002 Record
<input type="checkbox"/> Calorie controlled diet for chronic asthma J Cheng, Tao Pan, GH Ye, Q Liu Year: 2003 Record
<input type="checkbox"/> Chitosan for overweight or obesity C Ni Mhurchu, CAE Dunshea-Mooij, D Bennett, A Rodgers Year: 2005 Record

This returns a total of 4410 hits across all the databases.

Then, by going to **Search History**, you can combine your previous searches. Your searches will be numbered #1, #2 and so on. To combine them enter the # symbol followed by the search number as per the example:

[Advanced Search](#) | [MeSH Search](#) | [Search History](#) | [Saved Searches](#)

Search For:

Restrict by product:
 Ctrl-click (Windows) or Command-click (Mac) to select

Restrict by record status:

Date Range (4-digit year): -

Current Search History

ID	Search	Hits	Edit	Delete
#1	(obesity OR obese)	5675	edit	delete
#2	MeSH descriptor Obesity explode all trees	3296	edit	delete

[Advanced Search](#) | [MeSH Search](#) | [Search History](#) | [Saved Searches](#)

Search For:

Restrict by product:
 Ctrl-click (Windows) or Command-click (Mac) to select

Restrict by record status:

Date Range (4-digit year): -

Current Search History

ID	Search	Hits	Edit	Delete
#1	(obesity OR obese)	5675	edit	delete
#2	MeSH descriptor Obesity explode all trees	3296	edit	delete

Your combined search comes up in your **Search History**.

Current Search History

ID	Search	Hits	Edit	Delete
#1	(obesity OR obese)	5675	edit	delete
#2	MeSH descriptor Obesity explode all trees	3296	edit	delete
#3	(#1 OR #2)	5689	edit	delete



[Advanced Search](#) | [MeSH Search](#) | [Search History](#) | [Saved Searches](#)

Enter a term below and click Search to continue.

Search For: In:

AND

AND

AND

Go direct

Next search All Text for Child* OR Infant* OR Pediatric.

Search Results

Show Results in: [Cochrane Reviews \[2312\]](#) | [Other Reviews \[1155\]](#) | [Clinical Trials \[55160\]](#) | [Methods Reviews \[10\]](#) | [Methods Studies \[383\]](#) | [Technology Assessments \[464\]](#) | [Economic Evaluations \[2666\]](#) | [Cochrane Groups \[62\]](#)

There are 2312 results out of 4410 records for: "Child* OR Infant* OR Pediatric in The Cochrane Database of Systematic Reviews"

View: 1-25 | 26-50 | 51-75 | 76-100 | 101-125 | [Next >](#)

Record Information Restrict to: [Reviews](#) | [Protocols](#) Sort by: [Record Title](#) | [Match %](#) | [Year](#)

[Demand/semi-demand feeding versus scheduled interval feeding for preterm infants](#)
McGuire
Year: 2004
[Record](#)

[Interventions for prevention of morbidity and mortality in preterm infants](#)
Osborn, DA
Year: 2004
[Record](#)

[Alarm interventions for nocturnal enuresis in children](#)
Glazener, JHC, Evans, RE, Peto
Year: 2005
[Record](#)

This returns the total number of hits across all databases.

Hint: Your search for the word pediatric will retrieve records containing the spelling paediatric.

Now you can combine searches (#3 AND #4) to view all results across all the databases for combined "obesity OR obese" AND "child* OR infant* OR pediatric".

Your combined search history is now listed and you just need to click on it to run it.

Current Search History

ID	Search	Hits	Edit	Delete
#1	(obesity OR obese)	5675	edit	delete
#2	MeSH descriptor Obesity explode all trees	3296	edit	delete
#3	(#1 OR #2)	5689	edit	delete
#4	(Child* OR Infant* OR Pediatric)	62212	edit	delete

Current Search History

ID	Search	Hits	Edit	Delete
#1	(obesity OR obese)	5675	edit	delete
#2	MeSH descriptor Obesity explode all trees	3296	edit	delete
#3	(#1 OR #2)	5689	edit	delete
#4	(Child* OR Infant* OR Pediatric)	62212	edit	delete
#5	(#3 AND #4)	688	edit	delete

Search Results

Show Results in: [Cochrane Reviews \[143\]](#) | [Other Reviews \[32\]](#) | [Clinical Trials \[462\]](#) | [Methods Reviews \[1\]](#) | [Methods Studies \[5\]](#) | [Technology Assessments \[12\]](#) | [Economic Evaluations \[24\]](#) | [Cochrane Groups \[9\]](#)

There are 143 results out of 4410 records for: "(#3 AND #4) in The Cochrane Database of Systematic Reviews"

View: 1-25 | 26-50 | 51-75 | 76-100 | 101-125 | [Next >](#)

Record Information Restrict to: [Reviews](#) | [Protocols](#) Sort by: [Record Title](#) | [Match %](#) | [Year](#)

[Drugs for preventing postoperative nausea and vomiting](#)
Carlisle, CA, Stevenson
Year: 2006
[Record](#) [New](#) [R](#)

[Interventions for preventing obesity in children](#)
Summerbell, CD, Waters, E, Edmunds, LD, Kelly, S, Brown, T, Campbell, KJ
Year: 2005
[Record](#) [R](#)

[Interventions for treating obesity in children](#)
Summerbell, CD, Ashton, V, Campbell, KJ, Edmunds, LD, Kelly, S, Waters, E
Year: 2003
[Record](#) [R](#)

[Preoperative fasting for preventing perioperative complications in children](#)
Brady, M, Kinn, S, O'Rourke, K, Randhawa, N, Stuart
Year: 2005
[Record](#) [R](#)

The final result of your search.



7. Saved searches

You can save this whole record of **Search History** by clicking on the button **Save Search Strategy**

Current Search History

ID	Search	Hits	Edit	Delete
#1	(obesity OR obese)	5675	edit	delete
#2	MeSH descriptor Obesity explode all trees	3296	edit	delete
#3	(#1 OR #2)	568		
#4	(Child* OR Infant* OR Pediatric)	622		
#5	(#3 AND #4)	688		

[Save Search Strategy](#) [Clear History](#)

A pop-up box will appear, prompting you to name and add comments to your search.

Wiley InterScience: Cochrane Search History: Edit

Strategy Name:

Comments:

[Save Search Strategy](#)

Click this button to save your Search Strategy.

[Advanced Search](#) | [MeSH Search](#) | [Search History](#) | **Saved Searches**

Your strategy was successfully saved

You have 1 Saved Search

Delete	Saved Search Name	Run	Export	Save Date	Alert Status
<input type="checkbox"/>	Childhood Obesity: Advanced search and MeSH search combined	Run	Export	2008-07-13 10:01:20	n/a

[Select All](#) (to delete all searches)

[Delete Checked Items](#)

Now, when you return to your saved searches you will see your saved search history. Click **Run** to return to that search strategy.

[Advanced Search](#) | [MeSH Search](#) | [Search History](#) | **Saved Searches**

Your edited strategy was successfully saved

You have 2 Saved Searches

Delete	Saved Search Name	Run	Export	Save Date	Alert Status
<input type="checkbox"/>	Childhood Obesity: Advanced Search and MeSH Search combined	Run	Export	2006-07-17 11:04:21	n/a
<input type="checkbox"/>	schizo* and drugs and atypical and antipsychotic in all products	Run	Export	2006-07-14 11:32:24	+ Activate Alert

[Select All](#) (to delete all searches)

[Delete Checked Items](#)

You can also export your search strategy by clicking on **Export**. This function lets you save an electronic text copy of your search history to your local drive.



8. Export citations

To export citations for your reference databases (e.g. EndNote), select the records from which you would like citations exported by clicking on the boxes next to them. If you want to export all on that page, click the 'Select All' option at the bottom of the page. To export those selected, click the 'Export Selected Citations' button.

Search Results

Show Results in: [Cochrane Reviews \[256\]](#) | [Other Reviews \[116\]](#) | [Clinical Trials \[4995\]](#) | [Methods Reviews \[1\]](#) | [Methods Studies \[17\]](#) | [Technology Assessments \[84\]](#) | [Economic Evaluations \[210\]](#) | [Cochrane Groups \[10\]](#)

There are 1 results out of 23 records for: "(#1 OR #2) in The Cochrane Database of Methodology Reviews"

View: 1

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Record Information Restrict to: [Reviews](#) | [Protocols](#) Sort by: [Record Title](#) | [Match %](#) | [Year](#)

Editorial peer review for improving the quality of reports of biomedical studies
T Jefferson, M Rudin, S Brodney Folse, F Davidoff
Year: 2006
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[Select All](#) (to export citations)

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Multiple Results Pages
The number of citations you export is not restricted. For multiple results pages, check items you want to export, then continue the process for all page displays.

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Please select your preferred format from the options below, click 'Go' and then select 'Save' from the pop-up dialog.

Export Type: Citation
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Select your **Export Type** - choose between **Citation only**, or **Abstract and citation**.

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Please select your preferred format from the options below, click 'Go' and then select 'Save' from the pop-up dialog.

Export Type: Citation

File Type: PC
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 Unix or Linux

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Choose your export options
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Export Type: Abstract and citation

File Type: PC

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Would you like to open the file or save it to your computer?

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9. Navigate your way around an article

When you open a Review in **The Cochrane Library**, it appears in frames. Below is an example of a complete Review from The Cochrane Database of Systematic Reviews:

A table of contents appears on the left of the screen. You can navigate directly to a section by clicking on it.

The title indicates the status of the article [Review] or [Protocol].

[Review]
Compression stockings for preventing deep vein thrombosis in airline passengers
 M Clarke, S Hopewell, E Juszczak, A Eisinga, M Kjeldstrøm

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Abstract
Background
 Air travel might increase the risk of deep vein thrombosis (DVT). It has been suggested that wearing compression stockings might reduce this risk.

Objectives
 To assess the effects of wearing compression stockings versus not wearing them among people travelling on flights lasting at least four hours.

Search strategy
 We searched the Cochrane Injuries Group's Specialized Register (January 2006), the Cochrane Central Register of Controlled Trials (CENTRAL) (in *The Cochrane Library*, January 2006), MEDLINE (January 1980 to November 2005), EMBASE (January 1980 to December 2005) and several other electronic or grey literature sources, detailed in full in the review.

Data collection and analysis
 At least two authors independently assessed the quality of each study and extracted data. We sought additional information from trialists.

Main results
 Ten randomized trials (n = 2856) were included; nine (n = 2821) compared wearing stockings on both legs versus not wearing them, and one (n = 35) compared wearing a stocking on one leg for

Table of Contents (TOC) on the left:

- Abstract
- Plain language summary
- Background
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- Characteristics of excluded studies

Callouts:

- Header material includes the DOI (Digital Object Identifier), when the article was first published, the date of the most recent substantive amendment and the correct method of citing the article.**
- You can choose to export the citation for this article from this TOC.**
- You can also link to figures and tables associated with the article.**

You can open, print and save PDFs of Reviews using the PDF link at the top of the Table of Contents.

[Review]
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PDF (Size 261K)

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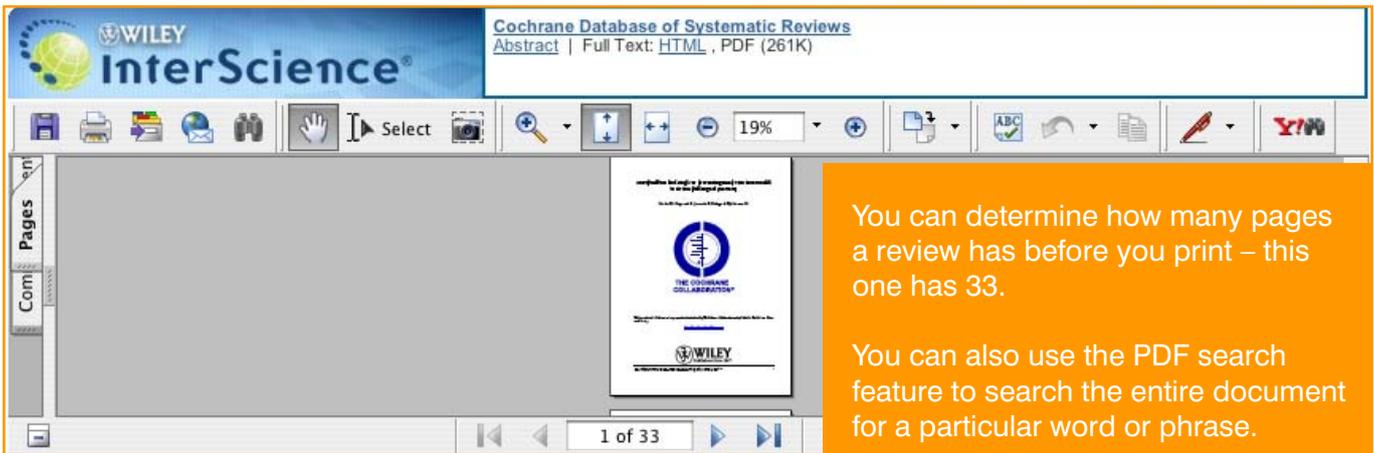
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You can determine how many pages a review has before you print – this one has 33.

You can also use the PDF search feature to search the entire document for a particular word or phrase.

PDF View

9.1 How to link to primary material cited:

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Click on **Links** next to the cited article you would like to link to.

References

References to studies included in this review

Low LIT 1 (published data only)

Loew D, Geroulakos G, Eisinga A, Altenkamper KH, Schneider B. Effect of long-distance flights on oedema of the lower extremities. *Phlebology* 1998;**13**(2):64-7. [Links](#)

NB: You need to be in the References section to be able to do this.

Low LIT 2 (published and unpublished data)

Belcaro G, Geroulakos G, Bucci M, Kennet AM, Winford M, Cesarone MR, et al. Venous thromboembolism from air travel. The LONFLIT Studies. *Circulation* 2001;**104**(17 Suppl 2): 24. [Links](#)

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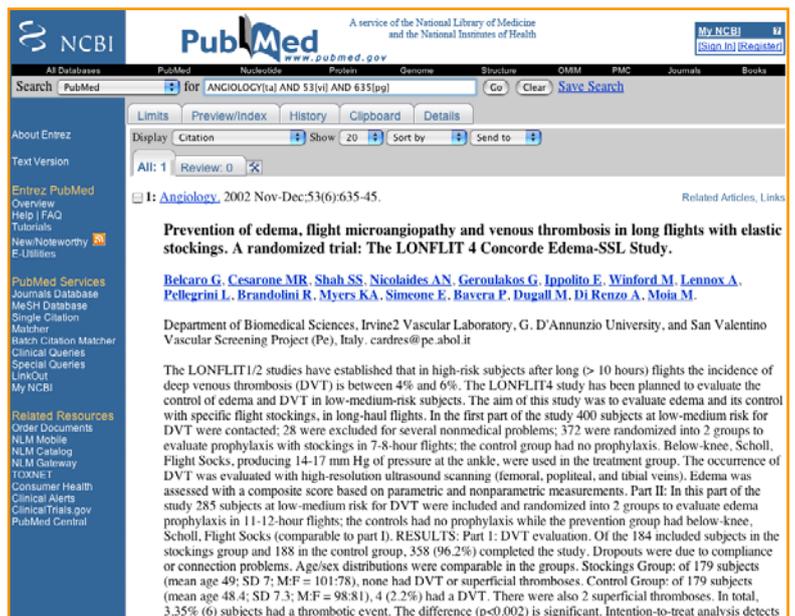
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Belcaro, et al.

Angiology
 Volume 53, 2002. Pages: 635

Links available for this article

Title and Abstract Information
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This will take you to a page with links to **Title** and **Abstract** indices for this citation.





9.2 Display The Cochrane Database of Systematic Reviews odds-ratio diagrams and tables

An integral feature of The Cochrane Database of Systematic Reviews is the odds-ratio figures provided for each review. These diagrams provide a clear and concise visual representation of the analyses of results for each trial included in a review, each outcome considered and any meta-analysis of trials data.

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Figures (full size)

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Use the links to **Figures** and **Tables** to display pop-up screens of these features.

A screen containing Odds-Ratio diagrams will appear. The 'Tables' link will take you to associated tables. The Odds- Ratio diagrams are a very convenient tool – at first, they may appear complicated, but as you become familiar with them and what they represent, you will find that they are an invaluable means of providing a reliable overview of the evidence.

Compression stockings for preventing deep vein thrombosis in airline passengers

Figures

Analysis 01.01. Comparison 01 Wearing stockings versus not wearing stockings, Outcome 01 Symptomless deep vein thrombosis [Show Statistical Analysis](#)

Review: Compression stockings for preventing deep vein thrombosis in airline passengers
 Comparison: 01 Wearing stockings versus not wearing stockings
 Outcome: 01 Symptomless deep vein thrombosis

Study	Stockings n/N	No stockings n/N	Odds Ratio (Fixed) 95% CI	Weight (%)	Odds Ratio (Fixed) 95% CI
LONFLIT 2	1/411	19/422		38.0	0.05 [0.01, 0.30]
× LONFLIT 4 - Kendall1	0/72	0/72		0.0	Not estimable
LONFLIT 4 - Kendall2	0/80	2/80			
LONFLIT 4 - Scholl1	0/179	4/179			
LONFLIT 4 - Scholl2	0/130	3/135			
× LONFLIT 4 - Traveno1	0/87	0/88			
× LONFLIT 4 - Traveno2	0/75	0/71			
LONFLIT 5	2/178	7/180			
Scurr 2001	0/100	12/100			
Total (95% CI)	1314	1323			

Total events: 3 (Stockings), 47 (No stockings)
 Test for heterogeneity: chi-square=2.81 (df=6) p=0.73 I²=0.0%
 Test for overall effect: z=4.82 p<0.00001

Analysis 01.02. Comparison 01 Wearing stockings versus not wearing stockings, Outcome 01 Symptomless deep vein thrombosis

Hide Statistical Analysis

Statistic: Odds Ratio

Effect: Fixed

Scale: Log: 0.001 to 1000

CI Study: 95%

Overall CI: 95%

Extra columns on graph: Year Allocation Concealment User Defined

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LONFLIT 4 - Scholl1	0/179	4/179		9.3	0.11 [0.01, 2.03]
LONFLIT 4 - Scholl2	0/130	3/135		7.2	0.14 [0.01, 2.71]
× LONFLIT 4 - Traveno1	0/87	0/88		0.0	Not estimable
× LONFLIT 4 - Traveno2	0/75	0/71		0.0	Not estimable
LONFLIT 5	2/178	7/180		11.2	0.15 [0.01, 2.71]
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Total (95% CI)
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To view an interactive version of this diagram, click on the **Show Statistical Analysis** link.

This will display a screen that allows you to manipulate how you want the data displayed.



10. Other functions

Additional features of The Cochrane Library through Wiley InterScience include:

-  links to MEDLINE Abstracts and ISI Web of Science®
- Easy navigation from a reference in a review to the cited journal article
- Wiley InterScience alerting services based on keywords, authors and other parameters enabling you to stay well informed of updates in your field

[Advanced Search](#) | [MeSH Search](#) | [Search History](#) | [Saved Searches](#)

Search For:

Restrict by product:

Ctrl-click (Windows) or Command-click (Mac) to select

Restrict by record status:

Date Range (4-digit year):

- All Cochrane products (default)
- Cochrane Reviews
- Other Reviews
- Clinical Trials

All records

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Restrict

Another useful feature is the **Restrict** option that allows you to restrict your search by product, record status or date range.

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Add and view feedback

Select a **Cochrane Review** or **Methodology Review**. Then select the link **Add/View Feedback** in the left hand table of contents for the selected record. Feedback associated with the selected review or protocol will be displayed in the pop-up window that is launched.



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Add Feedback

To add your own comments on a Cochrane Review, select the **Add Feedback to this review/protocol** link in the pop-up window displaying the feedback.



11. Additional resources

Online support

Further learning

To access further learning materials on **The Cochrane Library** or to take part in an instructor-led virtual training session, visit <http://interscience.wiley.com/training>

12. Appendix

Field label searching

Users can type field labels directly into their search from the search history page. Available field labels are:



Field Name	Label
Abstract	:ab
Author	:au
Keywords	:kw
Source	:so
Title	:ti
Publication Type	:pt
Tables	:tb
DOI	:doi
If no field tag is specified, "All text" is searched as the default	

The chart below gives specific examples of how you can use field labels within a search.

Options	Example	Action
No field tag	Diabetes	Searches diabetes in ALL text fields (current default)
One field tag	Diabetes:ti	Searches diabetes in title field
Multiple field tags	Diabetes:ti,ab	Searches diabetes in title OR diabetes in abstract
Supports truncation	diabet*:ti	Searches diabet* in title
Supports phrase search	"diabetes mellitus":ti,ab	Searches the phrase diabetes mellitus in the title or abstract field
Supports phrase search using NEXT operator	(Diabetes next mellitus):ti,ab	Searches the phrase diabetes mellitus in the title or abstract field
Supports NEAR operator	(diabetes near mellitus):ti,ab	Searches for diabetes within 6 words (established default) of mellitus in the title or abstract field.
Supports NEAR/x operator	(diabetes near/5 mellitus):ti,ab	Searches for diabetes within 5 words of mellitus in the title or abstract field
Support for more than one term in a search having field labels	diabetes.ti and endocrinology.so	Searches diabetes in article title and endocrinology in source



MeSH terms

MeSH terms in Cochrane:

Cochrane Reviews:	Fully indexed, except for Reviews first published in recent issues
Cochrane Protocols:	No MeSH indexing
Clinical Trials:	Only reviews taken from Medline
Other reviews:	Fully indexed
Technology assessments:	Fully indexed
Economic Evaluations:	Fully indexed

Find records using the MeSH thesaurus search through the following methods:

Thesaurus search options

Use the thesaurus to find a term for a MeSH Tree Search. Enter word in text box and click on **Thesaurus** to display the complete index of all MeSH descriptors that include the word. Click on an index term to select it for a MeSH Tree Search (see below).

MeSH tree search options

Enter a term in the text box and click on **Go to MeSH Trees** to view a tree structure of related terms. A listing of all displayed MeSH trees and check-box selectors are displayed on the right of the form. The selected MeSH search term is displayed in red type.

Some terms may be included in more than one tree hierarchy. A number listed in brackets following a term displays the number of lower branches included in the term. Clicking on a term will explode the lower branches.

To search on one term in a tree structure, select the term as the MeSH descriptor, check the **Search this term only** box, and click the **Go** button to display search results.

To search on all the terms included in one or more trees, select the check box next to the trees and click the **Go** button to display search results.

MeSH Tree searches can be further refined by selecting subject terms from the **Qualifier** list (next to the **Go** button). Multiple terms can be selected from the list.

MeSH qualifier options

MeSH subject qualifiers can be used as part of a tree search or entered directly. For direct searches, click on **Search by qualifier alone**, select one or more terms on list, and click the **Go** button to display search results.

Definition options

Enter a term and click **Definition** to display a definition for the term in a pop-up window.



Search tips

- You can select the **Go Directly to Search History** under the **Go** button on the MeSH Tree Search and Qualifier Search to include the search directly on the Search History page.
- You can use an asterisk (*) as a wildcard character for Thesaurus searches. Example: reticulo* matches reticuloendotheliosis.
- Note that a useful feature of the Advanced Search page is the list of Search Tips to the right of the screen. You can use these tips to check specific search query options.

[Advanced Search](#) | [MeSH Search](#) | [Search History](#) | [Saved Searches](#)

Enter a term below and click Search to continue.

Search For: **In:**

To search using field labels (e.g. heart:t1) use the [Search History](#) page.

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Go directly to Search History

Restrict Search by Product

- All of The Cochrane Library
- The Cochrane Database of Systematic Reviews (Cochrane Reviews)
- Database of Abstracts of Reviews of Effects (Other Reviews)
- The Cochrane Central Register of Controlled Trials (Clinical Trials)
- The Cochrane Database of Methodology Reviews (Methods Reviews)
- The Cochrane Methodology Register (Methods Studies)
- Health Technology Assessment Database (Technology Assessments)
- NHS Economic Evaluation Database (Economic Evaluations)
- About The Cochrane Collaboration (Cochrane Groups)

SEARCH TIPS

Tip No. 1: Boolean operators AND, OR, and NOT can be selected from the pull-down selection boxes or entered directly within the search text boxes. Use parentheses to separate components when entering complex search directly in text box with mixed Boolean operators.

Example: *(colchicine AND liver) AND (fibrosis OR cirrhosis)*

Tip No. 2: The AND operator is used by default between search terms. The string *brain stem* will match records where both words are included in any order or proximity. Search for exact phrases by enclosing a string in quotation marks.

Example: *"clodronate therapy"* matches that exact term

Tip No. 3: Search for accented characters (within all fields except Author) by using both the accented and unaccented versions of a term or by using wildcard (multiple: *) or